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Woman's Club Column

MISS MIN PORTER, Editor.

Home Grounds.

"By their fruits ye shall know them." How often this is true. As one is judged by the company he keeps, just as one is often judged by his home grounds. Whatever our environments are we are apt to be. When we make the home and its grounds beautiful and attractive an influence is exerted over our lives that makes us better men and women.

Let us make a picture of an attractive home grounds and profit by the experience of others. The saving touch of greenery at least, and the refreshment of flowers usually, can be had any where, regardless of sun, cold, soil or exposure. There is no spot so barren but that something may be made to grow on it, only knowledge and discrimination as to what to plant and a little care as to how, are required, with a reasonable interest to maintain proper growing conditions. Begin right by setting a definite plan of your home grounds, however small. Locate every thing, the house, the fence, the out-buildings and the entrances. This plan will show the home grounds as you would see them from a balloon. On the site there would have been located any existing trees, plants or vines, and we wish to a considerable extent will center around them. One efficient, well placed tree or shrub, is worth a dozen that are crowded, sickly or ill placed. Then the suggested feeling for improvement leads to a mixed up or complex design and to indiscriminate crowded

planting. By all means have the home grounds planned for simplicity. I remember a yard in which the home owner had been persuaded by a tree agent to set out a dozen willows placed at regular distances and making as they grew a grotesque and absurd arrangement of the home grounds. Much lawn with few shrubs is by far preferable to expensively crowded area. By all means choose such plants and trees as are acclimated and adapted to your own home. Nothing adds to the restful character of the home grounds, as an open space of evergreen turf, be it ever so small. A yard of twenty feet can be disposed of so as to make it look park like, and far larger than it really is.

This is done by maintaining a grass plot and planting the perfusion of flowers in simple borders. Judicious curves help greatly in making beautiful home grounds, and they afford natural places for groups of plants or small trees. If the grounds have a terrace or a deep slope it may be made a thing of beauty by a covering of honeysuckle, gloria wistaria or trumpet vine. For door planting Boston ivy is unsurpassed, and now is the best time to put it out. In this climate it is said to be an evergreen as is English ivy also. These vines should be used for covering wood sheds, ugly out houses, fences and so forth that are no less ugly in the winter time than in summer.

It seems to be a custom to fill the garden with beautiful flowers in summer, and cover the fences with vines and when winter comes abandon both until spring. But the proper home garden should show something interest-

ing every day from December to December. Often there is a fine burst of spring bloom followed by a lack of flowers in the summer months. This need not be, for with care in selection, something attractive can be had all the season. Even with purely hardy plants this may be arranged and it is quite easy if some of the good annuals are included. For spring bloom plant the autumn before, hardy bulbs, such as snowdrops, crocus, narcissus, tulip, hyacinth, freziers and poppies. Some of the low growing plants that should be set the autumn before is the pink, sweet william, primrose and English daisies.

Plants for midsummer blooming are sweet alyssum, verbena, geranium, zermag, sunflowers, nastertimus, salvias, candy tuft and heliotrope.

For fall blooming hydrangers, dahlias, golden glow, crysanthemum, asters and many others.

In midwinter roses and all evergreens are beautiful.

If there is a drip where nothing else will grow fill it with ferns as the roots are strong and no amount of water will hurt them.

All these flowers are beautiful when sown broadcast, but how much more attractive, when the beds are arranged with the taller growths as a background and so on down to the smaller so that none are hidden. The effect of a bed of violets is spoiled if the center piece is a castor bean or dahlia. When we plant the home grounds let us not lose sight of the general effect. All these hints add to the attractiveness of the home, but plant anyway—even if you cannot do it all as you would wish. With some effort some success is certain. Make the effort for a part of beautiful America and may your success be out of all proportion to the endeavor.

NOTICE

The Suwannee County Division of the F. E. & C. U. of A. will meet at Live Oak on the first Thursday in February, it being the fourth day, 1909. All locals will please send delegates as there is a good deal of business to attend to. Meet at the court house at 10 o'clock a. m.

R. J. ALLEN,
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NOTICE

To the Farmers' Union in and around O'Brien: There will be a meeting on Saturday before the first Sunday in February, 1909, to attend to some very important business. All attend and bring your lunch.

A. D. WILDER,
Acting Sec.

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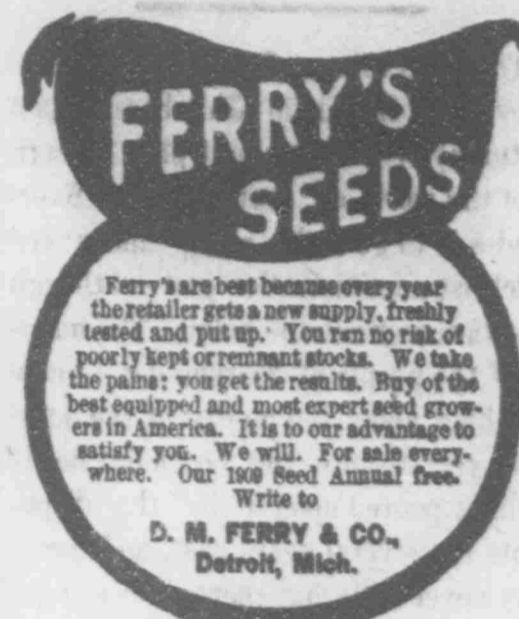
In Court of County Judge, State of Florida, Suwannee county, J. H. Braswell, plaintiff, Julius H. Sanders, defendant.
To Julius H. Sanders, defendant, now residing in Charleston, State of South Carolina, and to all other parties interested:
You are hereby notified that a Writ of Attachment has been issued against you, and your property attached to satisfy the demand of the plaintiff in above case, amounting to eighty-eight dollars.
Now, unless you shall appear before the County Judge in and for said county at his office in Live Oak, Florida, on the 1st day of March, A. D. 1909, judgment will be applied for against you by default and your property sold for debt.
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